

State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY
GOVERNOR

WATER SAFETY MONTH

2008

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, 102 North Carolinians drowned in 2006; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of North Carolina recognize the vital role that water safety education plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries at the state's 17 parks where swimming is available; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of North Carolina can be guaranteed the safest water-related recreational activities by participating in recreation at treated-water aquatics facilities; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of North Carolina recognize the vital importance of abiding by the rules set forth by the guardianship of trained and certified aquatics professionals who develop water-safety rules with their prudent enjoyment in mind; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina identifies effective water-safety programs as the best way to prevent drownings and recreational water-related injuries at the state's natural beaches and aquatic facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month of May, as "**NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH**" and urge all those in the State of North Carolina to support and promote this observance.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this first day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-second.